

Statewide Patterns in Methylmercury in California Rivers and Streams

Methylmercury concentrations in sport fish at river and stream locations sampled by SWAMP in 2011. Each point represents the average concentration for the most contaminated species sampled at each location. Overall, 87% of the locations had average methylmercury concentrations below 0.44 ppm in the most contaminated species (these locations are shown in orange ●, yellow ●, and green ●). Eight of the locations (13%) were in the high contamination category, with average methylmercury concentrations in the most contaminated species exceeding 0.44 ppm (shown in red ●).

